

DUKE SCHOOL OF NURSING SCIENTIFIC CULTURE AND ACCOUNTABILITY PLAN

The Duke University School of Nursing (DUSON) is committed to upholding the highest standards of scientific integrity and to ensuring that all faculty, staff and students engaged in research are aware of and following departmental and University policies and procedures put in place to reflect the values of scientific integrity.

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The Duke School of Nursing's Scientific Culture and Accountability Plan (SCAP) reflects the following principles:

- 1) We foster an environment where scientific integrity is the highest priority.
- 2) We emphasize high quality, reproducible data and results.
- 3) We value constructive critiques of research
- 4) We encourage open discussion of any concerns regarding research conduct or integrity.

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Scientific integrity is everyone's responsibility. Expectations are stratified below for individual investigators, the Center for Nursing Research Clinical Research Unit (CRU) and the School. These practices pertain to *Training and Education; Scientific Rigor and Reproducibility; Data Management, Storage and Provenance*

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- Conduct internal quality assurance

DUSON implements its SCAP through a connected infrastructure of committees and strategic initiatives.

- Updates on regulatory and administrative processes come to faculty through the Faculty Governance Association, and are distributed in various newsletters and blast announcements. The CNR Canvas and Sakai sites serve as the repository for all policy, procedures and changes related to regulatory and administrative issues.
- DUSON's Research Advisory Council meets quarterly and often reviews policies and procedures relevant to scientific integrity.
- The CNR will develop and deliver a bi-annual faculty research retreat for faculty and PhD students that discusses best practices for scientific integrity and responsible conduct of research.
- DUSON's RQMP committee meets as needed to review and deploy relevant information and concerns.

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DUSON seeks to foster a respectful and open environment for discussing research conduct and integrity. Members of the DUSON community are encouraged to raise any concerns.

Data integrity is not necessarily tied to scientific misconduct. Depending on the seriousness of your concerns, you may reach out to the following (in order of escalation):

- Direct supervisor or mentor
- Division Chair
- CRU Director or Assistant Dean for Research Development
- Vice Dean for Research
- Anonymous Duke Integrity Hotline (1-800-